



General Assembly

January Session, 2013

**Committee Bill No. 314**

LCO No. 3674



Referred to Committee on CHILDREN

Introduced by:  
(KID)

***AN ACT CONCERNING SECOND PARENT ADOPTION.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 45a-733 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2013*):

3 (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 45a-727, in the case of  
4 a child sought to be adopted by a stepparent, or a person who shares  
5 parental responsibility with the parent of such child, pursuant to  
6 subdivision (3) of subsection (a) of section 45a-724, the Court of  
7 Probate may waive all requirements of notice to the Commissioner of  
8 Children and Families and shall waive, unless good cause is shown for  
9 an investigation and report, all requirements for investigation and  
10 report by the Commissioner of Children and Families or by a child-  
11 placing agency. Upon receipt of the application and agreement, the  
12 Court of Probate may set a day for a hearing upon the agreement and  
13 shall give reasonable notice of the hearing to the parties to the  
14 agreement and to the child, if over twelve years of age.

15 (b) At the hearing the court may deny the application, enter a final  
16 decree approving the adoption if it is satisfied that the adoption is in

17 the best interests of the child, or, for good cause shown, order an  
18 investigation by the Commissioner of Children and Families or a child-  
19 placing agency.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	<i>October 1, 2013</i>	45a-733
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***KID***      *Joint Favorable*

***HS***        *Joint Favorable*

***JUD***        *Joint Favorable*